SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 196

School Wellness and Physical Education Policies by Senator Wilson

Revises school district requirements for school wellness and physical education policies. Requires each school district to set school wellness and physical education policies in an effort to enable students to establish good health and nutrition habits. Provides policy requirements regarding nutrition education, physical activity, school-based activities, and nutritional guidelines for food and beverages sold or served on campuses or in the school district.

Requires the Department of Education (DOE) to designate the superintendent of each school district as responsible for measuring and evaluating the school district's progress in implementing the policies. Specifies that guidelines for reimbursable school meals may not be less restrictive than regulations and guidelines issued by the United States Department of Agriculture. Requires the superintendent, at the request of the DOE, to report on the district's compliance with the policies.

Requires appointment of a district wellness committee and the committee's annual review of the district's wellness and physical education policies. (See bill for details)